# March 2010 Vote History

March 2010 Vote History Agriculture(124) - S 1147: Tobacco Shipping Requirements - Passage

March 17, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require firms selling or shipping tobacco products to verify that recipients are of legal age and prohibit shipments of tobacco products over 10 pounds. It also would require firms selling or shipping tobacco products to register with the Justice Department. Motion agreed to 387-25. Vote: Yea

(134) - HR 3509: Agricultural Loan Mediation - Passage

March 18, 2010 - Baca, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend the authorization of \$7.5 million each year from fiscal 2011 to fiscal 2015 for grants to fund state programs that mediate loan disputes between agricultural producers and their creditors. Motion agreed to 382-26. Vote: Yea

(158) - H Res 1075: National Guard Agri-Business Development Teams - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Skelton, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would commend the members of the Agri-business Development Teams of the National Guard for their efforts, together with personnel of the Agriculture Department and the U.S. Agency for International Development, to modernize agriculture practices and increase food production in war-torn countries. Motion agreed to 418-3. Vote: Nay

Business and Labor(181) - HR 4849: Small-Business Tax Credits - Recommit

March 24, 2010 - Camp, R-Mich., motion to recommit the bill to the Ways and Means Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would provide tax incentives for small businesses and repeal certain provisions of the health care overhaul law that cap the amount that can be deposited in flexible spending accounts and bar the use of such funds for over-the-counter medicine. It would offset the cost of the legislation by excluding certain low-quality fuels from a biofuel producer credit. Motion rejected 184-239. Vote: Yea

(182) - HR 4849: Small-Business Tax Credits - Passage

March 24, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would provide \$16.8 billion in tax incentives for state and local governments and small businesses. It would include \$13.2 billion for bond programs for state and local governments, used largely for infrastructure, and extend the Build America Bonds program. It also would provide \$3.6 billion in small-business tax incentives, including an exemption from capital gains taxes on the sale of small-business stocks. It would be offset by various tax provisions, including one that would place new limits on foreign-owned companies' abilities to use protections in U.S. tax treaties to move money to countries. Passed 246-178. Vote: Nay

Congress and Federal Government(102) - H Res 1031: Impeachment of Judge Porteous - Article I - Improper Relationships with Lawyers

March 11, 2010 - Adoption of Article I of the resolution, which would impeach Judge G. Thomas Porteous Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for receiving money from lawyers involved in Lifemark Hospitals of La.

v. Liljeberg Enterprises, a 1996-2000 case that Porteous oversaw. Adopted 412-0. Vote: Yea

(103) - H Res 1031: Impeachment of Judge Porteous - Article II - Bondsmen Bribery Charges

March 11, 2010 - Adoption of Article II of the resolution, which would impeach Judge G. Thomas Porteous Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for accepting items of value from bail bondsman Louis M. Marcotte III and his sister Lori Marcotte in exchange for taking official actions that benefited the Marcottes, including setting, reducing and splitting bonds as requested by the Marcottes, and improperly setting aside or expunging felony convictions for two Marcotte employees. Adopted 410-0. Vote: Yea

(104) - H Res 1031: Impeachment of Judge Porteous - Article III - False Statements on Bankruptcy Filing

March 11, 2010 - Adoption of Article III of the resolution, which would impeach Judge G. Thomas Porteous Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for making false statements and representations under penalty of perjury related to his personal bankruptcy filing and repeatedly violating a court order in his bankruptcy case. Adopted 416-0. Vote: Yea

(105) - H Res 1031: Impeachment of Judge Porteous - Article IV - False Statements in Confirmation Process

March 11, 2010 - Adoption of Article IV of the resolution, which would impeach Judge G. Thomas Porteous Jr. of the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana for making false statements about his past to both the Senate and the FBI during his Senate confirmation process. Adopted 423-0. Vote: Yea

(107) - H Res 1164: Reporting of Massa Allegations - Motion to Refer

March 11, 2010 - Clyburn, D-S.C., motion to refer the Boehner, R-Ohio, privileged resolution to the Standards of Official Conduct Committee. The Boehner resolution would require the Standards of Official Conduct Committee to investigate if House Democratic leadership and their staff knew of allegations of misconduct against former Rep. Massa, D-N.Y. before March 3, 2010. Motion agreed to 402-1. Vote: Yea

(123) - H Res 1141: Tribute to Justice O'Connor - Adoption

March 17, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the achievements and career of Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Motion agreed to 416-0. Vote: Yea

(126) - HR 946: Plain Language in Government Communications - Passage

March 17, 2010 - Clay, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the federal government to use plain language in all communications that explain how to comply with federal requirements or obtain government

benefits or services. Motion agreed to 386-33. Vote: Yea

(127) - HR 4825: Unused Member Office Funds - Passage

March 17, 2010 - Brady, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would direct unused funds from House members' office accounts at the end of each fiscal year to the Treasury Department for deficit reduction. Motion agreed to 413-1. Vote: Yea

(131) - H Res 1193: PMA Group Investigation - Motion to Refer

March 18, 2010 - McGovern, D-Mass., motion to refer the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. The resolution would require the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct to issue a report detailing the number of people interviewed, subpoenas issued and documents reviewed in the panel's investigation of members' dealings with the PMA Group. Motion agreed to 397-0. Vote: Yea

(132) - H Res 1194: Disapproval of Democratic Leadership - Motion to Table

March 18, 2010 - Hoyer, D-Md., motion to table (kill) the Cantor, R-Va., privileged resolution. The Cantor resolution would express the House's disapproval of the Democratic leadership for allegedly abandoning their duties of office. Motion agreed to 232-181. Vote: Nay

(133) - HR 3542: State Flags at the Capitol - Passage

March 18, 2010 - Brady, D-Pa., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Architect of the Capitol to fly the flag of each state over the U.S. Capitol building on the anniversary of the state's admission to the United States. Motion agreed to 408-0. Vote: Yea

(183) - HR 4098: Federal File Sharing Guidelines - Passage

March 24, 2010 - Towns, D-N.Y., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require the Office of Management and Budget to issue guidelines for federal employees and contractors on the use of peer-to-peer file-sharing programs. Motion agreed to 408-13. Vote: Yea

(187) - H Res 1220: PMA Group Investigation - Motion to Refer

March 25, 2010 - McGovern, D-Mass., motion to refer the Flake, R-Ariz., privileged resolution to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct. The resolution would require the committee to issue a report detailing the number of interviews conducted, subpoenas issued and documents reviewed in the panel's investigation of members' dealings with the PMA Group. Motion agreed to 406-1. Vote: Yea

Domestic Issues(77) - H Res 1097: National Engineers Week - Adoption

March 02, 2010 - Wu, D-Ore., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support National Engineers Week and state the chamber's commitment to ensuring engineers can continue to innovate. Motion agreed to 382-0. Vote: Yea

# (80) - H Res 1096: Encouraging Census Participation - Adoption

March 03, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would encourage individuals in the United States to participate in the 2010 census to ensure an accurate and complete count. It also would support the designation of Census Awareness Month.

Motion agreed to 409-1. Vote: Yea

#### (85) - H Res 1086: 2010 Census Participation - Adoption

March 04, 2010 - Baca, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the significance of the 2010 census and encourage full participation in the process. It also would encourage Indian Country communities to name an elder to answer census questions.

Motion agreed to 415-1. Vote: Yea

### (86) - H Res 1111: Read Across America Day - Adoption

March 04, 2010 - Courtney, D-Conn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the 13th anniversary of Read Across America Day. It also would recognize Theodor Geisel, also known as Dr. Seuss, for encouraging children to read. Motion agreed to 414-0. Vote: Yea

# (91) - H Res 1079: Tribute to New Orleans Saints - Adoption

March 04, 2010 - Melancon, D-La., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the New Orleans Saints' coaches and players, and the members of the "Who Dat" Nation, for winning Super Bowl XLIV. Motion agreed to 375-1. Vote: Yea

# (93) - H Res 1069: Tribute to Physics Nobel Prize Winners - Adoption

March 09, 2010 - Baird, D-Wash., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Willard S. Boyle and George E. Smith for being awarded the Nobel Prize in physics and recognize Bell Laboratories in Murray Hill, N.J., as a leader in scientific research and innovation. Motion agreed to 402-0. Vote: Yea

### (94) - H Res 935: Tribute to National Medal of Technology and Innovation Winners - Adoption

March 09, 2010 - Baird, D-Wash., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate John E. Warnock, Charles M. Geschke, Forrest M. Bird, Esther Sans Takeuchi, and the IBM Corp. for receiving the 2008 National Medal of Technology and Innovation. Motion agreed to 402-0. Vote: Yea

# (97) - HR 4621: Census Mail Requirements - Passage

March 10, 2010 - Clay, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would require mail marked with "census" to include the name and address of the sender. It also would require non-government mail marked with "census" to provide a disclaimer that the mail is not from or affiliated with the federal government. Motion agreed to 416-0. Vote: Yea

### (99) - H Con Res 249: Bloody Sunday 45th Anniversary - Adoption

March 10, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would commemorate the 45th anniversary of Bloody Sunday and the enactment of the Voting Rights Act of 1965. Motion agreed to 409-0. Vote: Yea

#### (111) - HR 4506: Federal Bankruptcy Judgeships - Passage

March 12, 2010 - Cohen, D-Tenn., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize 13 new federal bankruptcy judgeships, make permanent 22 temporary positions, and extend the authorization of two temporary judgeships for at least five years. The cost of employing the judges would be offset by an increase in bankruptcy filing fees. Motion agreed to 345-5. Vote: Yea

# (113) - H Res 1170: Voice of Democracy Scholarships - Adoption

March 15, 2010 - Hirono, D-Hawaii, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the winners of the Voice of Democracy national scholarship program. Motion agreed to 384-0. Vote: Yea

# (116) - HR 4628: Hrbek Post Office - Passage

March 16, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Westwood, N.J., as the "Sergeant Christopher R. Hrbek Post Office Building." Motion agreed to 416-0. Vote: Yea

# (117) - H Res 311: Red Cross Month - Adoption

March 16, 2010 - Watson, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals

and ideals of Red Cross Month and recognize the contributions of American National Red Cross volunteers. Motion agreed to 417-0. Vote: Yea

(119) - H Res 1128: Tribute to 2010 Winter Olympics - Adoption

March 16, 2010 - Watson, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate Canada, Team USA, the athletes of the world and the city of Vancouver, British Columbia, for the 2010 Winter Olympics. Motion agreed to 420-0. Vote: Yea

(121) - H Res 1167: Recognizing Social Workers - Adoption

March 17, 2010 - Shea-Porter, D-N.H., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals of Professional Social Work Month and World Social Work Day. Motion agreed to 419-0. Vote: Yea

(122) - H Res 1184: Tribute to University of Maryland Men's Basketball Team - Adoption

March 17, 2010 - Shea-Porter, D-N.H., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 2009-2010 University of Maryland men's basketball team. Motion agreed to 279-132. Vote: Nay

(128) - HR 4214: Roy Wilson Post Office - Passage

March 18, 2010 - Clay, D-Mo., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Palm Desert, Calif., as the "Roy Wilson Post Office." Motion agreed to 419-0. Vote: Yea

(145) - H Res 1133: African-American Scientific Achievement - Adoption

March 19, 2010 - Johnson, D-Texas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize African-Americans who have overcome significant obstacles to enhance innovation and competitiveness in science, and would encourage federal investment in programs to reduce the achievement gap of African-Americans and other minorities. Motion agreed to 399-0. Vote: Yea

(146) - H Res 1027: Mariana Trench Exploration - Adoption

March 19, 2010 - Johnson, D-Texas, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 50th anniversary of the dive to the Challenger Deep in the Mariana Trench, the achievements of Capt. Don Walsh and Jacques Piccard and the need to continue exploring the trench to lead to scientific discoveries. Motion agreed to 398-2. Vote: Yea

(154) - H Res 1040: Tribute to Donald Harington - Adoption

March 20, 2010 - Speier, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the accomplishments of Donald Harington for his contributions to literature in the United States. Motion agreed to 399-0. Vote: Yea

(155) - HR 4840: Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office - Passage

March 21, 2010 - Speier, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a post office in Columbus, Ohio, as the "Clarence D. Lumpkin Post Office." Motion agreed to 420-0. Vote: Yea

(156) - H Res 1174: National Women's History Month - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Speier, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals and ideals of National Women's History Month in March 2010 and recognize the women and organizations in the United States that have fought for and continue to promote the teachings of women's history. Motion agreed to 420-0. Vote: Yea

(185) - HR 4899: Disaster Relief and Summer Jobs Funding - Motion to Table

March 24, 2010 - Obey, D-Wis., motion to table (kill) the Lewis, R-Calif., appeal of the ruling of the chair with respect to the Obey point of order that the Lewis motion to recommit the bill constituted legislating on an appropriations bill. The motion would recommit the bill to the Appropriations Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would strike the \$600 million that the bill would appropriate for summer jobs programs and also rescind \$5.1 billion in funds appropriated in the 2009 economic stimulus law.

Motion agreed to 239-176. Vote: Nay

(186) - HR 4899: Disaster Relief and Summer Jobs Funding - Passage

March 24, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would appropriate \$5.1 billion in emergency supplemental funding for the Federal Emergency Management Agency Disaster Relief Fund and \$600 million for Labor Department grants for youth summer jobs programs. It would appropriate \$20 million for fee reductions and eliminations under the Small Business Administration 7(a) loan program. The cost of the bill would be partially offset by the recission of \$620 million in funds that were appropriated for several existing programs at various agencies. Passed 239-175. Vote: Nay

(191) - H Res 1125: National Public Works Week - Adoption

March 25, 2010 - Perriello, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support National Public Works Week and recognize the 50th anniversary of the week. Motion rejected 249-172. Vote: Nay

Education (75) - H Res 1072: Louisiana State University 150th Anniversary - Adoption

March 02, 2010 - Courtney, D-Conn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 150th anniversary of Louisiana State University. Motion agreed to 383-0. Vote: Yea

(81) - HR 4247: Federal Standards for School Punishments - Grant Awards and Earmark Ban

March 03, 2010 - Flake, R-Ariz., amendment that would require the Education secretary to submit an explanation to Congress if grants authorized by the bill are not awarded competitively. It also would bar the use of funds for congressionally directed spending. Adopted 391-24. Vote: Yea

(82) - HR 4247: Federal Standards for School Punishments - Passage

March 03, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would set minimum federal standards for the use of seclusion and restraint in schools receiving federal funds. It would allow schools to use restraints on students in cases when there is immediate danger to the student or others. States would be required to submit a plan within two years to prove their policies and procedures meet federal standards. It would require training for certain school personnel in crisis intervention, and require schools to report the use of seclusion or restraint to the student's parents on the day of the incident. The bill would authorize sums as necessary to implement the standards from fiscal 2011 through 2015. Passed 262-153. Vote: Nay

(89) - H Res 362: National School Lunch Program - Adoption

March 04, 2010 - Courtney, D-Conn., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the goals of the National School Lunch Program. Motion agreed to 403-13. Vote: Yea

(112) - H Res 1145: Tribute to University of Arizona - Adoption

March 15, 2010 - Hirono, D-Hawaii, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the University of Arizona's 125th anniversary and congratulate the university for its dedication to higher education. Motion agreed to 392-0. Vote: Yea

(114) - H Res 1163: Tribute to Washington State University Honors College - Adoption

March 15, 2010 - Hirono, D-Hawaii, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 50th anniversary of Washington State University Honors College. Motion agreed to 389-0. Vote: Yea

(120) - H Res 1089: Tribute to Augustana College - Adoption

March 17, 2010 - Shea-Porter, D-N.H., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 150th anniversary of Augustana College in Illinois. Motion agreed to 421-0. Vote: Yea

Energy, Environment, and Federal Land(76) - HR 3820: Earthquake and Windstorm Research - Passage

March 02, 2010 - Wu, D-Ore., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$872 million through fiscal 2014 for programs that coordinate federal agency research on reducing the damage caused by earthquakes and windstorms. Motion agreed to 335-50. Vote: Yea

(92) - HR 3650: Algal Bloom Reduction Program - Passage

March 09, 2010 - Baird, D-Wash., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would establish a National Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Program to develop a strategy to reduce marine and freshwater algal blooms. It would authorize \$35 million for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration and \$6 million for EPA from fiscal 2010 through fiscal 2014 to administer the program. Motion rejected 263-142. Vote: Nay

(109) - HR 3650: Algal Bloom Reduction Program - Passage

March 12, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would establish a National Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Program to develop a strategy to reduce marine and freshwater algal blooms. It would authorize \$41 million annually from fiscal 2011 through fiscal 2015 for the program. Passed 251-103. Vote: Nay

(125) - HR 3954: Florida Land Transfers - Passage

March 17, 2010 - Baca, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Agriculture Department to transfer 114 acres in Leon County, Fla., to the state of Florida. It also would allow the U.S. Forest Service to make an equivalent transfer within the Ocala and Apalachicola national forests in Florida. Motion agreed to 418-1. Vote: Yea

(135) - H Res 1173: Tribute to the Vermont Long Trail - Adoption

March 18, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 100th anniversary of Vermont's Long Trail, the oldest long-distance hiking trail in the United States. Motion agreed to 409-1. Vote: Yea

(137) - HR 3671: Upper Mississippi River Basin - Passage

March 19, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$6 million per year for a program to monitor the environmental quality of the Upper Mississippi River Basin. Motion agreed to 289-121. Vote: Nay

(139) - HR 3644: Water Education Programs - Earmark Ban

March 19, 2010 - Flake, R-Ariz., amendment to the Capps, D-Calif., substitute amendment. The Flake amendment would prohibit the earmarking of funds appropriated under the bill. The substitute would authorize \$65 million from fiscal 2011 through 2015 for the Bay-Watershed Education and Training program and \$81 million over the same period for the Environmental Literacy Grant program. Adopted 376-37. Vote: Yea

(140) - HR 3644: Water Education Programs - Substitute

March 19, 2010 - Capps, D-Calif., substitute amendment that would authorize \$65 million from fiscal 2011 through 2015 for the Bay-Watershed Education and Training program and \$81 million over the same period for the Environmental Literacy Grant program. Adopted 233-178. Vote: Nay

(141) - HR 3644: Water Education Programs - Recommit

March 19, 2010 - Chaffetz, R-Utah, motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would require the Environmental Literacy Grant Program to provide financial assistance to examine the impacts of natural gas and oil seeps on oceans, beaches, air quality and the coast environment, and the possibility of mitigating those impacts through resources and energy development. It would change the authorization levels to \$12 million for the environmental program and \$10 million for the Bay-Watershed Education and Training program. It would make anyone suing the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration ineligible for funding under the program.

Motion rejected 200-215. Vote: Yea

(142) - HR 3644: Water Education Programs - Passage

March 19, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would reauthorize two National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration programs to provide grants for education programs on water systems. It would authorize \$65 million from fiscal 2011 through 2015 for the Bay-Watershed Education and Training program and \$81 million over the same period for the Environmental Literacy Grant program. Passed 244-170. Vote: Nay

(143) - HR 4003: Hudson River Valley Study - Passage

March 19, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize the Interior secretary to issue a study on the feasibility of designating the Hudson River Valley in New York as a national park. Motion agreed to 293-115. Vote: Nay

(144) - HR 4395: Gettysburg National Military Park Expansion - Passage

March 19, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would expand the Gettysburg National Military Park by adding land known as the Gettysburg Train Station and land located along Plum Run in Cumberland Township, Pa. Motion agreed to 372-31. Vote: Yea

(148) - HR 1612: Land Conservation Volunteer Program - Restricting Funding

March 20, 2010 - Bishop, R-Utah, amendment that would retain the existing authorization level of \$12 million per fiscal year for a federal land conservation program. It also would authorize the program for five years. Adopted 227-180. Vote: Yea

(149) - HR 1612: Land Conservation Volunteer Program - Housing in Tribal Areas

March 20, 2010 - Cole, R-Okla., amendment that would allow federal agencies to work with tribal governments to provide temporary housing to federal land conservation program volunteers. Adopted 402-0. Vote: Yea

(150) - HR 1612: Land Conservation Volunteer Program - Recommit

March 20, 2010 - Lummis, R-Wyo., motion to recommit the bill to the Natural Resources Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with an amendment that would require 75 percent of federal land conservation program funding be directed to forest restoration projects. It also would require adults participating in the program to undergo a criminal background check. Motion agreed to 387-21. Vote: Yea

(151) - HR 1612: Land Conservation Volunteer Program - Passage

March 20, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would expand a public land conservation volunteer program for youth to all Interior Department agencies and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. As amended, it would authorize \$12 million per year through fiscal 2015 for the program and require 75 percent of funding be used for forest restoration projects.

Passed 288-116. Vote: Nay

(180) - H Res 917: Florida Keys Scenic Highway - Adoption

March 24, 2010 - Perriello, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the Florida Keys Scenic Highway on its designation as an All-American Road by the Transportation Department. Motion agreed to 420-2. Vote: Yea

Foreign Affairs and Immigration (96) - H Res 1088: East Africa Albinism - Adoption

March 10, 2010 - Connolly, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the murder and mutilation of people with albinism in East Africa, express U.S. support for people with albinism in East Africa who have been the victims of attacks, and urge the governments of Tanzania and Burundi to prosecute and convict the perpetrators of such crimes. Motion agreed to 418-1. Vote: Yea

(100) - H Res 1144: Chile Earthquake Victims - Adoption

March 10, 2010 - Connolly, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would acknowledge the loss of life and physical damage caused by the Feb. 27, 2010, earthquake in Chile. It also would urge the president to continue to support the Chilean government as it assesses relief and recovery needs. Motion agreed to 404-1. Vote: Yea

(108) - H Res 1107: Greek Independence Anniversary - Adoption

March 11, 2010 - Connolly, D-Va., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the people of Greece on the 189th anniversary of the country's independence and express support for the principles of democratic governance of Greece. Motion agreed to 414-0. Vote: Yea

(115) - H Res 267: Significance of Nowruz - Adoption

March 15, 2010 - Lynch, D-Mass., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the cultural and historical significance of Nowruz, which marks the traditional Iranian New Year. It also would express appreciation for the contributions of Iranian-Americans to the United States. Motion agreed to 384-2. Vote: Yea

(118) - H Res 605: Falun Gong Persecution - Adoption

March 16, 2010 - Watson, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would urge the Chinese government to cease persecution of Falun Gong practitioners. Motion agreed to 412-1. Vote: Yea

(195) - H Res 1215: Support for Bangladesh Democracy - Adoption

March 25, 2010 - Crowley, D-N.Y., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express support for the people of Bangladesh and encourage the strengthening of democracy in the country. Motion agreed to 380-7. Vote: Yea

Health Care(147) - H Con Res 244: Long-Term Care Physician Day - Adoption

March 19, 2010 - Speier, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the concurrent resolution that would support the designation of a national day of recognition for physicians who provide long-term care. Motion agreed to 395-0. Vote: Yea

(152) - HR 4887: Military Health Plan Qualification - Passage

March 20, 2010 - Levin, D-Mich., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would clarify that military health programs qualify as minimum coverage under the individual insurance mandate contained in a Senate-passed health care overhaul legislation. Motion agreed to 403-0. Vote: Yea

(165) - HR 3590: Health Care Overhaul - Motion to Concur

March 21, 2010 - Spratt, D-S.C., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the bill that would overhaul the nation's health insurance system and require most individuals to buy health insurance by 2014. It would create a system of national private insurance plans supervised by the Office of Personnel Management and create state-run marketplaces for purchasing health insurance. Those who do not obtain coverage would be subject to an excise tax. Excluded from the mandate would be those exempt from filing income tax and others with a hardship waiver, religious objection or those who cannot afford coverage. Employers with more than 50 workers would have to provide coverage or pay a fine if any employee gets a subsidized plan on the exchange. Certain small businesses would get tax credits for providing coverage, and those with low incomes, excluding illegal immigrants, could get subsidies. It would bar the use of federal funds to pay for abortions in the new programs, except in the cases of rape or incest or if the woman's life is in danger. Insurance companies could not deny coverage based on pre-existing medical conditions beginning in 2014, and could not drop coverage of people who become ill. It would expand eligibility for Medicaid, shrink the coverage gap under the Medicare Part D prescription drug program and create an advisory board to reduce the per capita growth rate in Medicare spending. Motion agreed to 219-212. Vote: Nay

(166) - HR 4872: Health Care Reconciliation - Recommit

March 21, 2010 - Camp, R-Mich., motion to recommit the bill to the House Budget Committee with instructions that it be immediately reported back with amendments that would bar the use of federal funds authorized in the bill to pay for an abortion or for a health plan that includes abortion coverage, unless the pregnancy is the result of rape or incest or if the woman suffers from a physical disorder, injury or illness that would, as certified by a physician, endanger the woman's life. Individuals with subsidized policies could purchase abortion coverage separately, with their own money. Motion rejected 199-232. Vote: Yea

(167) - HR 4872: Health Care Reconciliation - Passage

March 21, 2010 - Passage of the bill that would make changes to a health care overhaul measure (HR 3590), revise student loans procedures and include revenue-raising provisions. It would increase federal subsidies to help low- and moderate-income families purchase coverage through health insurance exchanges established by the overhaul measure, phase out the coverage gap for Medicare prescription drug enrollees and adjust the federal matching funds for Medicaid. It would change penalties on employers that do not offer health benefits. It would freeze Medicare Advantage payments in 2011 and then re-formulate payments according to local costs. The federal government would cover 100 percent of the cost of coverage to newly eligible Medicaid recipients in 2014-16. It would delay until 2018 the effective date of a tax on high-cost health plans and adjust the dollar amounts used to determine who would be affected by the tax. It would repeal a tax credit for a paper-processing byproduct called "black liquor." It also would make the federal government the sole originator of federal student loans and direct the savings generated to education programs, including Pell grants. The bill would shift all new federal student lending to the Direct Loan Program beginning July 1, 2010. It would increase the maximum annual Pell Grant scholarship to \$5,975 in 2017 and provide \$2.6 billion for minority-serving institutions. Passed 220-211. Vote: Nay

(194) - HR 4872: Health Care Reconciliation - Motion to Concur

March 25, 2010 - Miller, D-Calif., motion to concur in the Senate amendments to the bill that would make changes to the 2010 health care overhaul law, revise student loans programs and include revenue-raising provisions. It would increase

federal subsidies to help low- and moderate-income families purchase coverage through new health insurance exchanges established by the overhaul measure, phase out the coverage gap for Medicare prescription drug enrollees and adjust the federal matching funds for Medicaid. It would increase penalties levied on employers that do not offer health benefits and change the formula used to calculate penalties on employers with workers who obtain subsidies to obtain health insurance through the exchanges. It would freeze Medicare Advantage payments in 2011 and then reformulate payments according to local costs. It also would specify that in all states, the federal government would cover 100 percent of the cost of coverage to newly eligible Medicaid recipients from 2014 to 2016. It would delay for five years, until 2018, the effective date of a tax on high-cost health plans and adjust the dollar amounts used to determine who would be affected by the tax. It would repeal a provision to allow the cellulosic biofuels producer credit to be claimed by producers of certain paper products. It also would make the federal government the sole originator of federal student loans and direct the savings generated to education programs, including Pell grants. It would shift all new federal student lending to the Direct Loan Program beginning July 1, 2010. It would increase the maximum annual Pell Grant scholarship to \$5,975 in 2017 and provide \$2.6 billion for minority-serving institutions. Motion agreed to 220-207. Vote: Nay

Transportation and Homeland Security (83) - H Res 1127: IRS Suicide Plane Attack Condemnation - Adoption

March 03, 2010 - Lewis, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would condemn the Feb. 18, 2010, suicide plane attack against IRS employees in a federal building in Austin, Texas. It also would honor Vernon Hunter, a victim of the crash, and commend IRS employees for their dedication and public service. Motion agreed to 408-2. Vote: Yea

(90) - HR 2847: Business Tax Exemptions and Highway Extensions - Motion to Concur

March 04, 2010 - Etheridge, D-N.C., motion to concur in the Senate amendment to the House amendment to the Senate amendment with an additional House amendment. The additional House amendment would change the payment structure for certain tax credit bond programs and delay by one more year the effective date of new interest allocation rules for multinational companies. The measure would exempt employers from Social Security payroll taxes for certain new hires made in 2010. It also would expand the Build America Bonds program and extend the Highway Trust Fund and certain transportation safety programs through Dec. 31, 2010. It also would extend through 2010 the ability of small businesses to deduct \$250,000 of qualified property purchases from income taxes in the year of purchase. Motion agreed to 217-201. Vote: Nay

(175) - H Res 1186: Distracted Driver Awareness Month - Adoption

March 23, 2010 - Markey, D-Colo., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would support the designation of Distracted Driver Awareness Month. Motion agreed to 410-2. Vote: Yea

(190) - HR 1586: FAA Reauthorization - Motion to Concur

March 25, 2010 - Oberstar, D-Minn., motion to concur in the Senate amendment with a House amendment to the bill that would authorize \$53.5 billion through fiscal 2012 for the Federal Aviation Administration. It would require airlines and airports to develop contingency plans for stranded passengers and increase the number of daily long-distance flights permitted from Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport. It would increase the maximum passenger facility charge to \$7 from \$4.50 and establish a new labor dispute system for air traffic controllers. It also would require commercial pilots to obtain a license requiring 1,500 flight hours. Motion agreed to 276-145. Vote: Nay

War on Terror, Armed Forces, and Veterans (79) - H Res 747: Tribute to the West Point Military Academy - Adoption

March 03, 2010 - Marshall, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would congratulate the U.S. Military Academy at West Point for being named as America's best college for 2009 by Forbes magazine. Motion agreed to 416-0. Vote: Nay

(84) - H Res 699: Tribute to 139th Airlift Wing - Adoption

March 04, 2010 - Marshall, D-Ga., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize and commend the service and sacrifice of the members of the Air Force's 139th Airlift Wing and their families. Motion agreed to 421-0. Vote: Yea

(98) - H Con Res 248: Afghanistan Troop Withdrawal - Adoption

March 10, 2010 - Adoption of the concurrent resolution that would direct the president to remove U.S. forces from Afghanistan within 30 days of adoption, or by Dec. 31 if the president determined that a withdrawal could not be accomplished safely within 30 days.

Rejected 65-356. Vote: Nay

(138) - HR 2788: Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial - Passage

March 19, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a memorial under development in Riverside, Calif., as the Distinguished Flying Cross National Memorial. Motion agreed to 410-0. Vote: Yea

(161) - H Res 900: Cold War Veterans Recognition - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would honor the sacrifices and contributions made by members of the military during the Cold War. Motion agreed to 429-0. Vote: Yea

(164) - H Res 925: Recognition for Military Aviators - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would urge recognition of the extraordinary service of military aviators who were shot down over, or otherwise forced to land in, hostile territory yet evaded enemy capture or who were captured but subsequently escaped and resumed their service. It would urge secretaries of military departments to consider the aviators for appropriate recognition. Motion agreed to 426-0. Vote: Yea

(168) - H Res 1099: Anniversary of Battle of Iwo Jima - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Owens, D-N.Y., motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would recognize the 65th anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima. It would commend the members of the U.S. armed forces who participated in the battle for their service and sacrifice. Motion agreed to 421-0. Vote: Yea

(169) - H Res 1119: Moment of Silence for Military Personnel - Adoption

March 21, 2010 - Bordallo, D-Guam, motion to suspend the rules and adopt the resolution that would express the sense of the House that all Americans should participate in a moment of silence to reflect on the service and sacrifice of members of the U.S. armed forces at home and abroad. Motion agreed to 400-0. Vote: Yea

(170) - HR 4810: Programs for Homeless Veterans - Passage

March 22, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would increase to \$200 million the annual authorization for Veterans Affairs Department programs for homeless veterans in fiscal 2010, and authorize funds to support very low-income veterans in permanent housing. Motion agreed to 413-0. Vote: Yea

(171) - HR 4667: Veterans' Cost of Living Adjustment - Passage

March 22, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would increase veterans' disability compensation and their survivors' dependency and indemnity compensation by the same cost-of-living adjustment payable to Social Security recipients. The increase would take effect on Dec. 1, 2010. Motion agreed to 407-0. Vote: Yea

(174) - H J Res 80: Blinded Veterans Association - Passage

March 23, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the joint resolution that would recognize the Blinded Veterans Association's efforts and support Blinded Veterans Day.

Motion agreed to 416-0. Vote: Yea

(176) - HR 3976: Servicemember Mortgage Protections - Passage

March 23, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would extend through Dec. 31, 2015, a provision that bars lenders from initiating mortgage foreclosures for nine months after a servicemember returns from military service. Motion agreed to 416-4. Vote: Yea

(177) - HR 4592: Energy Jobs for Veterans - Passage

March 23, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would authorize \$10 million annually through fiscal 2015 for a Labor Department pilot program to encourage the employment of veterans in energy-related jobs. Motion agreed to 397-19. Vote: Yea

(184) - HR 1879: National Guard Employment Protection - Passage

March 24, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would exempt full-time National Guard service from the five-year cumulative limit that employees are allowed to be absent from work on military service and still be guaranteed their jobs with their civilian employers. Motion agreed to 416-1. Vote: Yea

(192\_ - HR 4360: Soltes VA Department Building - Passage

March 25, 2010 - Filner, D-Calif., motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill that would designate a Veteran Affairs Department building in Long Beach, Calif., as the "Maj. Charles R. Soltes Jr., O.D. Department of Veterans Affairs Blind Rehabilitation Center." Motion agreed to 417-0. Vote: Yea